इलाहाबाद में एक नया डाकघर खोला जाना

4595. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या इलाहाबाद में जमुना बैंक रोड पर (कीडगंज, चौखण्डी में) एक नया डाकघर खोले जाने का विचार है ; और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो क्या आगामी कुम्भ मेले को ध्यान में रखते हुए उक्त स्थान पर एक अस्थायी डाकघर खोला जाएगा ?

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गोमांगो) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) आम प्रक्रिया यह है कि ऐसे अवसरों पर मेला प्राधिकारियों द्वारा एक अस्थाई डाकघर खोलने का अनुरोध किया जाता है और उनके इन अनुरोधों को आमतौर पर स्वीकार कर लिया जाता है।

Time bound programme for the cement industry for modernisation and pollution control

4596. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have directed the cement industry to draw time bound programme for modernisation and pollution control;

(b) whether any guidelines have been issued by the Central Government to the States in this regard; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Modernisation of cement industry is a continuous process and Government are taking various measures for this purpose. The industry is being encouraged to take effective steps to modernise old cement plants and also instal energy conservation devices and pollution control equipments. Import of technology and equipment is permitted for this purpose as per the policy. A World Bank Loan of U.S. $ 200 million has also been arranged for conversion of seven cement units from wet to dry process and for sub-sector level training/technical assistance etc.. for the cement industry. Factories which installed new dry process kilns by scrapping the existing old wet process kilns or convert the existing old wet process kilns into dry process kilns such that the additional capacity installed is equal to or in excess of the capacity of the old kiln(s), are being treated as new units for purposes of fixing levy quota. It is observed that units constituting about 10% capacity of cement plants have not yet undertaken any effective steps for modernisation. In order to study problems of such units, a Working Group has been constituted.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.